1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 CASE NO. C23-0395JLR GS HOLISTIC, LLC, 10 **ORDER** Plaintiff, 11 v. 12 MARTIAL INC., et al., 13 Defendants. 14 Before the court is Plaintiff GS Holistic, LLC's ("GS Holistic") notice of 15 voluntary dismissal. (12/7/23 Not. (Dkt. # 18).) GS Holistic represents that it voluntarily 16 dismisses its claims against Defendants Martial Inc., Imtiaz Ahmed Mir, and Nasim 17 18 Choudhry with prejudice. (*Id.*; see also 11/21/23 Not. (stating that the parties had settled 19 all claims and were finalizing a settlement agreement).) The court STRIKES GS 20 Holistic's notice of dismissal. 21 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1) provides that a plaintiff can voluntarily dismiss an action without a court order by filing either "a notice of dismissal before the 22

opposing party serves either an answer or a motion for summary judgment" or "a 1 2 stipulation of dismissal signed by all parties who have appeared." Fed. R. Civ. P. 3 41(a)(1)(A). Otherwise, "an action may be dismissed at the plaintiff's request only by court order, on terms that the court considers proper." Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(2). 4 5 Here, Defendant Nasim Choudhry has appeared in this case and has filed an 6 answer. (See Ans. (Dkt. #9).) As a result, GS Holistic's notice of dismissal has no 7 effect. Therefore, the court STRIKES the notice of dismissal (Dkt. #18). If GS Holistic 8 seeks to voluntarily dismiss its case without a court order, it must file a stipulation of dismissal signed by its attorney and Mr. Choudhry. Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(ii). In 9 10 the alternative, GS Holistic may move the court for an order of dismissal pursuant to 11 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(2). 12 Dated this 8th day of December, 2023. 13 m R. Plut 14 JAMES L. ROBART 15 United States District Judge 16 17 18 19 20 21 22